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## Summary

Per capita consumption of red meats showed some significant changes in the world's major exporting countries in 1970. In Argentina, beef and veal consumption was down almost 10 percent from year earlier levels. In Denmark, pork consumption was up 14 percent while in Australia, beef, and veal consumption was down 5 percent and mutton and lamb consumption, down 7 percent.

Beef and Veal. Argentina continued to be the leading per capita consumer of beef and veal in 1970, despite a drop of nearly 10 percent to 176 pounds. The sharp drop reflected a shortage of supplies and higher prices. The wholesale price of Argentine beef averaged 42 percent higher in 1970 than in 1969.

Per capita consumption in Paraguay was down 12 percent to 101 pounds.

Uruguay's per capita beef and veal consumption recovered somewhat in 1970 from the extremely low level of 1969. At 133 pounds it was 40 percent greater than a year ago. Despite this tremendous increase, per capita consumption is still about 45 pounds below the 1961-65 average. Beef and veal production in Uruguay in 1970 was at its highest level since 1965 and exports were 20 percent above a year earlier.

Pork. World pork production in 1970 was up 4 percent from the previous year. Most of the increase was consumed in the producing countries so per capita consumption increased or maintained the previous year's level in most of the countries enumerated.

Denmark regained its No. 1 position with an increase of 14 percent to 88 pounds per capita.

Pork consumption in Australia has increased steadily and in 1970 reached a new high of 30 pounds per capita.

Mutton, Lamb, and Goat Meat. Australia, New Zealand, and Uruguay are the largest per capita consumers of mutton and lamb. In 1970, consumption was down 7 percent to 82 pounds per capita in Australia and down 20 percent to 46 pounds in Uruguay. World consumption of goat meat is small in relation to lamb and mutton. The major producers of goat meat are India, Greece, Turkey, and Brazil.

The 1970 decline in Australian mutton and lamb consumption was due to an increase in exports which was not fully compensated by increased production. Mutton stocks were also larger at the end of 1970 than at the beginning due to the U.S. and Canadian bans on Australian mutton imports because of sanitary requirements. As far back as 1967, per capita consumption of lamb and mutton in Australia was about equal. Since then, as incomes increase, Australian consumers have shown a preference for lamb.

In Uruguay a lower level of lamb and mutton production and greater exports accounted for the decline in consumption.

1/  
 Total meat: Per capita consumption in specified countries,  
 average 1961-65, annual 1968-70

Continent and country	Average :		1969	2/ 1970
	1961-65	1968		
North America:				
Canada .....	141	159	158	161
United States .....	167	183	182	186
Mexico .....	39	37	37	38
Costa Rica .....	35	24	27	27
Dominican Republic .....	22	18	19	20
El Salvador .....	26	22	20	20
Guatemala .....	22	24	22	21
Honduras .....	15	16	14	15
Nicaragua .....	41	48	50	48
Panama .....	54	54	59	57
South America:				
Argentina .....	198	213	225	204
Brazil .....	53	56	57	50
Chile .....	60	63	63	63
Colombia .....	56	50	50	50
Paraguay .....	104	91	116	101
Peru .....	36	32	27	28
Uruguay .....	238	214	172	196
Venezuela .....	51	53	53	52
Europe:				
Western:				
EC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg .....	113	130	132	137
France .....	128	138	136	138
Germany, West .....	120	133	134	141
Italy .....	58	71	71	73
Netherlands .....	96	105	101	105
EC .....	103	115	115	119
Austria .....	121	127	132	132
Denmark .....	128	124	125	136
Finland .....	78	82	88	89
Greece .....	51	68	73	81
Ireland .....	110	117	122	126
Norway .....	79	84	84	83
Portugal .....	41	47	51	50
Spain .....	47	63	64	70
Sweden .....	101	104	102	106
Switzerland .....	112	122	125	130
United Kingdom .....	141	138	138	138
Eastern:				
Bulgaria .....	69	87	78	78
Czechoslovakia .....	101	115	98	95
Hungary .....	88	93	86	89
Poland .....	82	94	93	89
Yugoslavia .....	61	72	62	69
USSR .....	67	81	80	82
Africa:				
South Africa, Republic of .....	80	71	77	75
Asia:				
China, Taiwan .....	42	54	56	62
Israel .....	31	48	47	47
Japan .....	13	19	21	23
Philippines .....	25	29	30	27
Turkey .....	33	31	33	33
Oceania:				
Australia 3/ .....	212	203	211	201
New Zealand 3/ .....	228	240	225	230

1/ Carcass weight basis; includes horse meat.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Year ending June 30.

1/  
 Beef and veal: Per capita consumption in specified countries,  
 average 1961-65, annual 1968-70

Continent and country	Average				<u>2/</u>
	1961-65	1968	1969	1970	
North America:					
Canada .....	85	96	96	94	
United States .....	99	113	114	117	
Mexico .....	24	22	23	24	
Costa Rica .....	27	18	21	20	
Dominican Republic .....	16	13	14	14	
El Salvador .....	17	14	13	13	
Guatemala .....	18	20	18	17	
Honduras .....	12	13	10	11	
Nicaragua .....	27	29	30	28	
Panama .....	46	46	50	48	
South America:					
Argentina .....	169	182	194	176	
Brazil .....	39	40	41	35	
Chile .....	40	43	40	40	
Colombia .....	49	44	44	44	
Paraguay .....	104	91	116	101	
Peru .....	19	17	14	13	
Uruguay .....	179	141	95	133	
Venezuela .....	40	44	43	42	
Europe:					
Western:					
EC:					
Belgium and Luxembourg .....	53	57	59	61	
France .....	63	66	65	65	
Germany, West .....	48	51	52	55	
Italy .....	36	44	45	46	
Netherlands .....	44	44	42	44	
EC .....	49	52	53	54	
Austria .....	43	48	49	49	
Denmark .....	37	43	46	46	
Finland .....	43	42	46	42	
Greece .....	18	30	34	37	
Ireland .....	31	37	38	40	
Norway .....	33	34	33	31	
Portugal .....	14	18	21	21	
Spain .....	16	24	25	27	
Sweden .....	43	42	42	41	
Switzerland .....	53	56	57	59	
United Kingdom .....	57	53	54	55	
Eastern:					
Bulgaria .....	20	28	25	26	
Czechoslovakia .....	39	45	41	40	
Hungary .....	23	21	20	19	
Poland .....	27	34	35	35	
Yugoslavia .....	20	25	22	26	
USSR .....	32	46	45	47	
Africa:					
South Africa, Republic of .....	56	46	50	45	
Asia:					
China, Taiwan .....	1	1	1	2	
Israel .....	28	45	44	44	
Japan .....	4	4	5	6	
Philippines .....	6	6	6	5	
Turkey .....	11	11	12	12	
Oceania:					
Australia <u>3/</u> .....	99	93	94	89	
New Zealand <u>3/</u> .....	103	126	109	114	

1/ Carcass weight basis.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Year ending June 30.

1/  
Pork: Per capita consumption in specified countries,  
average 1961-65, annual 1968-70

Continent and country	Average 1961-65	1968	1969	2/ 1970
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
North America:				
Canada .....	52	57	55	61
United States .....	63	66	65	66
Mexico .....	11	12	11	11
Costa Rica .....	8	6	6	7
Dominican Republic .....	6	5	5	6
El Salvador .....	9	8	7	7
Guatemala .....	4	4	4	4
Honduras .....	3	3	4	4
Nicaragua .....	14	19	20	20
Panama .....	8	8	9	9
South America:				
Argentina .....	17	17	19	18
Brazil .....	13	15	15	14
Chile .....	11	11	13	13
Colombia .....	7	6	6	6
Peru .....	9	7	6	7
Uruguay .....	20	17	19	17
Venezuela .....	10	8	9	9
Europe:				
Western:				
EC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg .....	52	65	65	67
France .....	55	62	61	62
Germany, West .....	71	81	81	85
Italy .....	18	24	23	23
Netherlands .....	49	57	54	56
EC .....	49	58	57	59
Austria .....	76	78	82	82
Denmark .....	89	79	77	88
Finland .....	32	37	40	45
Greece .....	9	12	12	14
Ireland .....	55	56	60	66
Norway .....	34	38	39	41
Portugal .....	20	22	23	22
Spain .....	21	29	29	33
Sweden .....	54	59	57	62
Switzerland .....	55	63	65	68
United Kingdom .....	59	61	61	61
Eastern:				
Bulgaria .....	32	37	33	32
Czechoslovakia .....	60	69	56	54
Hungary .....	62	70	65	69
Poland .....	52	57	55	52
Yugoslavia .....	35	41	34	37
USSR .....	25	26	26	26
Africa:				
South Africa, Republic of .....	7	7	8	8
Asia:				
China, Taiwan .....	41	53	55	60
Japan .....	7	12	12	14
Philippines .....	18	22	23	21
Oceania:				
Australia 3/ .....	24	27	29	30
New Zealand 3/ .....	33	28	28	28

1/ Carcass weight basis.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Year ending June 30.

<sup>1/</sup>  
Mutton, lamb, and goat meat: Per capita consumption in specified countries,  
average 1961-65, annual 1968-70

Continent and country	Average				<sup>2/</sup>
	1961-65	1968	1969	1970	
North America:					
Canada . . . . .	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	
4	6	7	6		
United States . . . . .	5	4	3	3	
Mexico . . . . .	3	3	3	2	
South America:					
Argentina . . . . .	12	14	12	10	
Brazil . . . . .	1	1	1	1	
Chile . . . . .	9	9	10	10	
Colombia . . . . .	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	
Peru . . . . .	8	8	7	8	
Uruguay . . . . .	39	56	58	46	
Venezuela . . . . .	1	1	1	1	
Europe:					
Western:					
EC:					
Belgium and Luxembourg . . . . .	1	1	1	1	
France . . . . .	5	6	6	7	
Germany, West . . . . .	1	1	1	1	
Italy . . . . .	2	2	2	2	
Netherlands . . . . .	<u>3/</u>	1	1	1	
EC . . . . .	2	2	2	2	
Austria . . . . .	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	
Denmark . . . . .	1	1	1	1	
Finland . . . . .	1	1	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	
Greece . . . . .	24	26	27	30	
Ireland . . . . .	24	24	24	23	
Norway . . . . .	10	11	11	10	
Portugal . . . . .	6	7	7	7	
Spain . . . . .	9	9	9	9	
Sweden . . . . .	1	1	1	1	
Switzerland . . . . .	2	2	2	2	
United Kingdom . . . . .	25	24	23	22	
Eastern:					
Bulgaria . . . . .	17	22	20	20	
Czechoslovakia . . . . .	1	1	1	1	
Hungary . . . . .	2	2	1	1	
Poland . . . . .	2	2	2	2	
Yugoslavia . . . . .	6	6	6	6	
USSR . . . . .	10	9	9	9	
Africa:					
South Africa, Republic of . . . . .	17	18	19	22	
Asia:					
Israel . . . . .	3	3	3	3	
Japan . . . . .	1	2	3	2	
Philippines . . . . .	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	
Turkey . . . . .	22	20	21	21	
Oceania:					
Australia <u>4/</u> . . . . .	89	83	88	82	
New Zealand <u>4/</u> . . . . .	92	86	88	88	

1/ Carcass weight basis.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Less than 0.5 pounds.

4/ Year ending June 30.

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